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PHOTOGRAPHIC INTERPRETATION REPORT

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**BRASS KNOB MISSION 3715**  
**8 SEPTEMBER 1963**



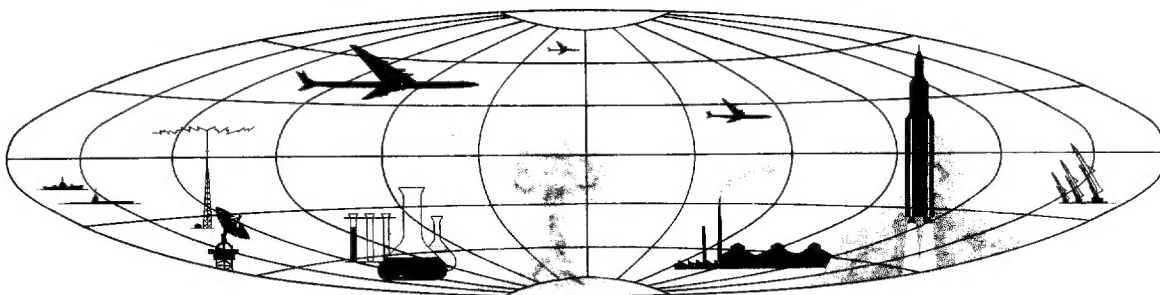
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THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION REPRESENTS A PRELIMINARY ANALYSIS OF AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY FROM BRASS KNOB MISSION 3715, DATED 8 SEP 1963. THE NUMBER APPEARING AT THE END OF THE HEADER LINE IS THE COMOR TARGET NUMBER.

SYMBOLS USED TO INDICATE CONDITIONS WHICH AFFECT THE APPEARANCE OF THE TARGET ON THE PHOTOGRAPHY ARE AS FOLLOWS -- C (CLEAR), SC (SCATTERED CLOUDS), HC (HEAVY CLOUDS), H (HAZE), CS (CLOUD SHADOW), SD (SEMI DARKNESS), O (OBLIQUITY), S (SNOW), PQ (POOR IMAGE QUALITY).

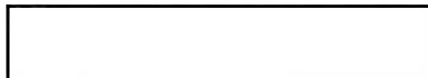
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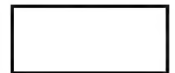
SITE 1 -- 6 CANVAS-COVERED REVETTED LAUNCHERS, 7 CANVAS-COVERED MISSILE TRANSPORTERS, AND AN OCCUPIED GUIDANCE AREA OBSERVED.

SITE 2 -- FOUR CANVAS-COVERED MISSILE TRANSPORTERS, 15 PRIME MOVERS, AND 11 OTHER VEHICLES OBSERVED IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS.

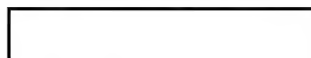


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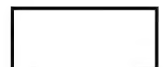


SIX REVETTED CANVAS-COVERED LAUNCHERS, 2 CANVAS-COVERED HOLD POSITIONS, ONE CARGO TRUCK, ONE UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLE, AND AN OCCUPIED REVETTED GUIDANCE AREA.



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CAIBARIEN SAM SITE 2228N 07929W



SIX LAUNCHERS OBSERVED.

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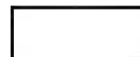
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JIGUANI SAM SITE 2021N 07620W



SIX UNREVIEWED LAUNCHERS (3 WITH MISSILES), 7 CANVAS-COVERED MISSILE TRANSPORTERS, AND AN OCCUPIED GUIDANCE AREA OBSERVED.

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CHAMBAS SAM SITE 2213N 07853W



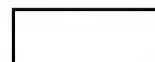
FIVE UNREVIEWED LAUNCHERS, 7 MISSILE TRANSPORTERS, AND AN OCCUPIED GUIDANCE AREA OBSERVED IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS.

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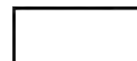
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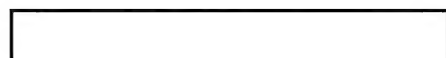
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SANTIAGO DE CUBA SAM SITE 1959N 07550W



SIX UNREVIEWED LAUNCHERS, ONE MISSILE TRANSPORTER, AND AN OCCUPIED SHED-COVERED GUIDANCE AREA OBSERVED.

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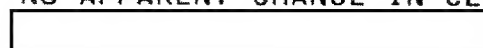
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SANTIAGO DE CUBA SAM ASSEMBLY AREA 2003N 07553W



NO APPARENT CHANGE IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS SINCE

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CIFUENTES SAM ASSEMBLY AREA 2236N 08005W

THREE LARGE TENTS, 6 UNIDENTIFIED PIECES OF EQUIPMENT,  
13 UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLES, AND 4 CARGO TRUCKS OBSERVED.

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MALDONADO SAM SITE 2012N 07528W

SIX REVETTED LAUNCHERS, 6 MISSILE TRANSPORTERS, AND  
AN OCCUPIED GUIDANCE REVETMENT OBSERVED.

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CAMAGUEY AIRFIELD SAM SITE 2122N 07750W

SITE CONTAINS 6 UNREVIEWED LAUNCHERS (4 WITH  
MISSILES), 7 MISSILE TRANSPORTERS (6 CANVAS-COVERED),  
8 CARGO TRUCKS, 8 TRACKED PRIME MOVERS, 2 VAN  
TRAILERS, 7 TRUCK-TRACTORS, AND AN OCCUPIED GUIDANCE  
AREA.

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HOLGUIN SAM SITE 2052N 07627W

SIX SEMI-REVIEWED LAUNCHERS (3 WITH MISSILES), 7  
MISSILE TRANSPORTERS (4 CANVAS-COVERED), 2 VAN  
TRAILERS, AN UNDETERMINED NUMBER OF VEHICLES UNDER  
CANVAS, AND AN OCCUPIED GUIDANCE AREA OBSERVED.

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SANTIAGO DE CUBA CRUISE MISSILE STORAGE 2004N 07551W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.  
TWENTY-SIX CRUISE-MISSILE CRATES OBSERVED.  
NO VEHICLES OBSERVED.

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-AIRFIELDS-

CAMILO CIENFUEGOS AIRFIELD 2229N 07955W

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AIRCRAFT -- 11 HOUND, 14 FAGOT/FRESCO, AND ONE HARE.

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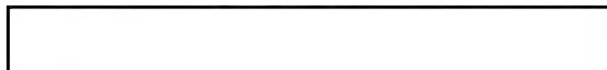
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CAMAGUEY INTERNATIONAL AIRFIELD 2125N 07751W



AIRCRAFT -- 2 DERELICT FAGOT/FRESCO.

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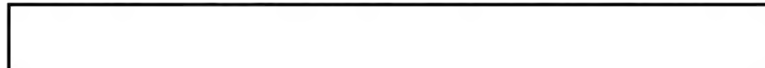
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HOLGUIN AIRFIELD 2048N 07618W



AIRCRAFT -- 7 FAGOT/FRESCO AND ONE HARE.

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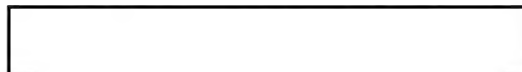
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SIGUANEA AIRFIELD 2138N 08257W



NO AIRCRAFT OBSERVED IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS.

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ANTONIO MACEO AIRFIELD 1958N 07550W



AIRCRAFT -- ONE COOT, ONE CRATE, AND ONE HOUND.

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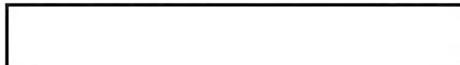
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SAN JULIAN AIRFIELD 2205N 08409W



NO AIRCRAFT OBSERVED.

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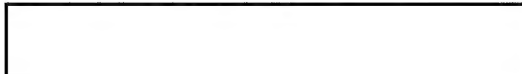
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COLONEL MARTIN MARRERRO AIRFIELD 2150N 08247W



NO AIRCRAFT OBSERVED.  
ROOF COMPLETED ON THE SHOP OR TERMINAL BUILDING UNDER  
CONSTRUCTION.

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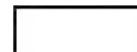
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BAYAMO EAST AIRFIELD 2023N 07638W



AIRCRAFT -- 2 COLT AND ONE LIAISON.  
RUNWAY IS BEING RESURFACED WITH CRUSHED ROCK OR  
GRAVEL.

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BANES PORT 2055N 07542W



NO LARGE VESSELS OBSERVED.  
THE ELEVEN CRATES REMAIN.

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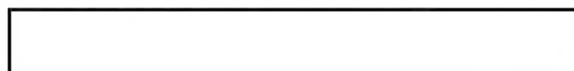
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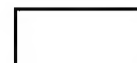
NO LARGE VESSELS, MILITARY ACTIVITY OR EQUIPMENT  
OBSERVED.

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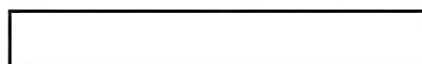
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MANZANILLO PORT 2021N 07707W



VESSELS -- ONE FREIGHTER.

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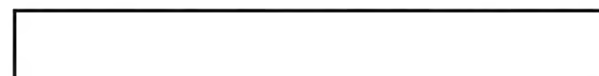
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SANTIAGO DE CUBA PORT 2001N 07550W



VESSELS -- 2 LARGE FREIGHTERS AND 2 LARGE TANKERS.

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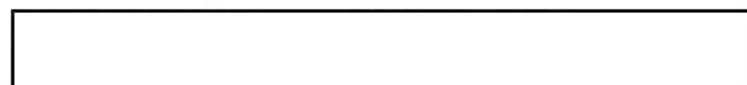
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NUEVITAS PORT 2132N 07716W



NO LARGE VESSELS OBSERVED.

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NUEVA GERONA PORT 2153N 08248W



NO LARGE VESSELS OR MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

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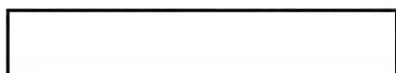
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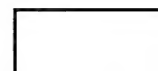
VESSELS -- 3 SMALL PC.

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CAIBARIEN PORT 2232N 07928W



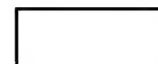
ONE LARGE VESSEL OBSERVED IN HARBOR.

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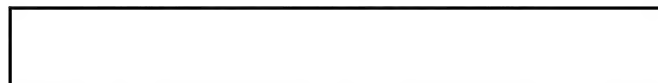
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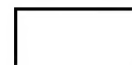
NO LARGE VESSELS OBSERVED.

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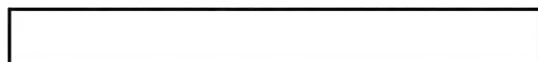
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JUCARO PORT 2137N 07851W

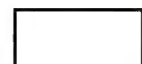


VESSELS -- ONE LARGE FREIGHTER ANCHORED SOUTH OF PORT.

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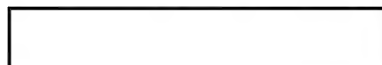
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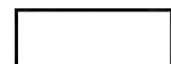
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ONE LARGE VESSEL ANCHORED NORTH OF PORT.

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PUERTO PADRE PORT 2113N 07632W



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VESSELS -- ONE LARGE FREIGHTER OBSERVED IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS.

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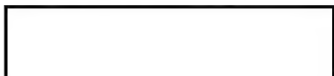


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SIGUANEA BOAT BASIN 2137N 08258W

VESSELS -- ONE KRONSTADT-CLASS PC AND ONE  
UNIDENTIFIED VESSEL.  
FIVE UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLES OBSERVED.



-MILITARY ACTIVITY-

GUANTANAMO AREA 1 2005N 07523W



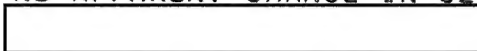
NO APPARENT CHANGE IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS.



HOLGUIN AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2053N 07614W



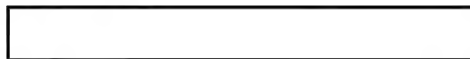
NO APPARENT CHANGE IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS SINCE



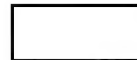
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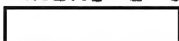
NO APPARENT CHANGE SINCE



ALTO CEDRO, MILITARY CAMP 2029N 07600W



AREAS 1-8 -- NO APPARENT CHANGE SINCE



AREA 9 -- AT LEAST 13 TANKS/SP GUNS AND 8 UNIDENTIFIED  
VEHICLES.



SANTA CLARA AREA, MILITARY ACTIVITY 2221N 07957W



SIXTEEN TANKS/SP GUNS, 12 CARGO TRUCKS, AND 3 UTILITY  
TRUCKS OBSERVED.

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CAMAGUEY MILITARY CAMP 2126N 07753W



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NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.  
SEVEN CARGO TRUCKS AND ONE VAN TRUCK OBSERVED.

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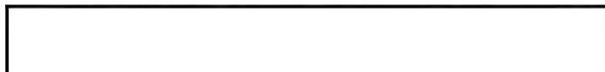
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FOURTEEN CARGO TRUCKS AND 4 FA PIECES OBSERVED.

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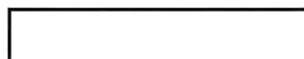
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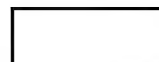
SEVEN POSSIBLE TANKS/SP GUNS AND 22 CARGO TRUCKS  
OBSERVED IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS.

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HOLGUIN MILITARY CAMP NW 2057N 07616W



NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.  
NINETEEN TANKS/SP GUNS AND 9 CARGO TRUCKS OBSERVED.

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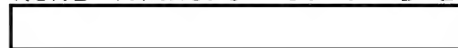
ALTAGRACIA, MILITARY AREA 2124N 07742W



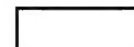
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NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.  
NINE TANKS/SP GUNS OBSERVED.

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MINAS, MILITARY CAMP 2127N 07734W



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NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.  
SIXTEEN UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLES OBSERVED.

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SANTA CLARA AREA, ARTILLERY TRAINING AREA 2224N 08000W

AREA 1 -- 13 CARGO TRUCKS AND 8 AAA PIECES.  
AREA 2 -- 5 CARGO TRUCKS. THE 6-GUN AAA SITE REMAINS OCCUPIED.  
AREA 3 -- ONE CARGO TRUCK AND ONE UTILITY TRUCK. THE 3-GUN AAA SITE REMAINS OCCUPIED.  
AREA 4 -- 17 CARGO TRUCKS AND 2 UNIDENTIFIED OBJECTS.  
AREA 5 -- 19 TANKS/SP GUNS, 14 CARGO TRUCKS, AND ONE CANVAS-COVERED UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLE. ONE OF THE TWO 3-GUN AAA SITES REMAINS OCCUPIED.

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TACAJO MILITARY CAMP 2051N 07558W

AREA 1 -- 33 CARGO TRUCKS, 4 UTILITY TRUCKS, AND ONE VAN TRUCK.  
AREA 2 -- NO MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.  
AREA 3 -- 21 CARGO TRUCKS AND 18 FA PIECES.  
AREA 4 -- 30 CARGO TRUCKS AND AT LEAST 17 FA PIECES.  
AREA 5 -- 7 CARGO TRUCKS, 9 UTILITY TRUCKS, ONE VAN TRUCK, AND 3 UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLES.  
AREA 6 -- 6 CARGO TRUCKS.  
AREA 7 -- NO VEHICLES OR EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

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DOS CAMINOS MILITARY INSTALLATION 2014N 07547W

NO APPARENT CHANGE SINCE

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LA VEGUITA MILITARY CAMP 2049N 07615W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.  
SEVENTEEN CARGO TRUCKS AND 12 FA PIECES OBSERVED IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS.

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SANTIAGO DE CUBA, MILITARY TRAINING AREA 2002N 07550W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.  
ELEVEN UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLES OBSERVED.

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CHARCO DEL JOBO MILITARY AREA 2047N 07615W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.  
APPROXIMATELY 15 FA PIECES OBSERVED IN CLOUD-FREE  
AREAS.

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SIBONEY LANDING BEACH 1957N 07542W

AT LEAST 2 MEDIUM TENTS (NOT OF A KNOWN SOVIET TYPE),  
12 TRACKED PRIME MOVERS, AND 3 OCCUPIED 6-GUN FA  
POSITIONS OBSERVED AT 18Q VT 215110.  
ONE MEDIUM AND 3 LARGE TENTS (NONE OF A KNOWN SOVIET  
TYPE), 24 CANVAS-COVERED PROBABLE MORTARS, ONE CARGO  
TRUCK, AND ONE UTILITY TRUCK OBSERVED AT  
18Q VT 195107.

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-MISCELLANEOUS ACTIVITY-

LA ROSITA STORAGE DEPOT BARAJAGUA 2208N 08004W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.  
ONE VEHICLE OBSERVED.

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SANTA CLARA MILITARY INSTALLATION CUBANACAN 2224N 07953W

FOUR VAN TRUCKS AT CUBANACAN AND APPROXIMATELY 10  
VEHICLES AT STORAGE AREA NORTH.

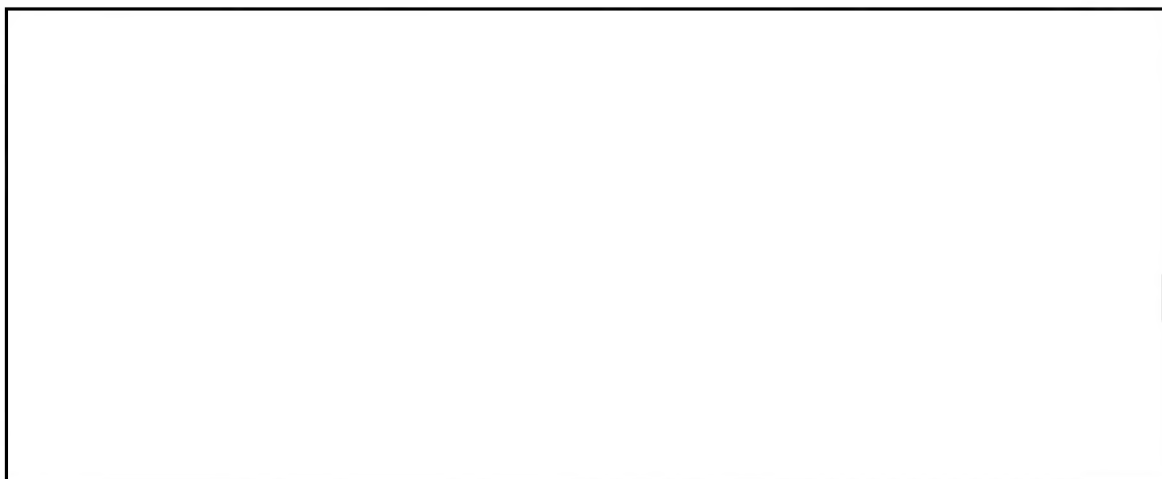
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-STATUS OF OTHER TARGETS-

THE FOLLOWING TARGETS SHOW NO APPARENT CHANGE  
SINCE LAST COVERAGE---

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SAGUA LA GRANDE MRBM SITE 1	2243N 08001W
SAGUA LA GRANDE MRBM SITE 2	2239N 07951W
LOS CANOS AIRFIELD	2004N 07509W
PRESTON AIRFIELD	2044N 07539W
MOA PORT	2039N 07454W
VICTORIA DE LAS TUNAS, MILITARY CAMP	2054N 07655W
EL CRISTO, MILITARY INSTALLATION	2007N 07546W
LAS MERCEDES, MILITARY CAMP	2006N 07700W
HOLGUIN AREA, MILITARY CAMP SOUTHWEST	2051N 07617W
PERSEVERANCIA MILITARY CAMP	2006N 07533W
TI ARriba MILITARY CAMP	2006N 07535W
PLAYA YATERITAS LANDING BEACH	1958N 07457W
MAR VERDE LANDING BEACH	1957N 07557W
PLAYA COLOMBO LANDING BEACH	2154N 08246W
PLAYA DE FLAMENCOS LANDING BEACH	2153N 08243W
NICARO LANDING BEACH	2042N 07533W

THE FOLLOWING TARGETS COULD BE IDENTIFIED BUT  
NOT INTERPRETED --

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REMEDIOS IRBM SITE	2225N 07935W
CIENFUEGOS SAM SITE	2202N 08024W
LOS ANGELES SAM SITE	2100N 07541W
MANATI SAM SITE	2113N 07702W

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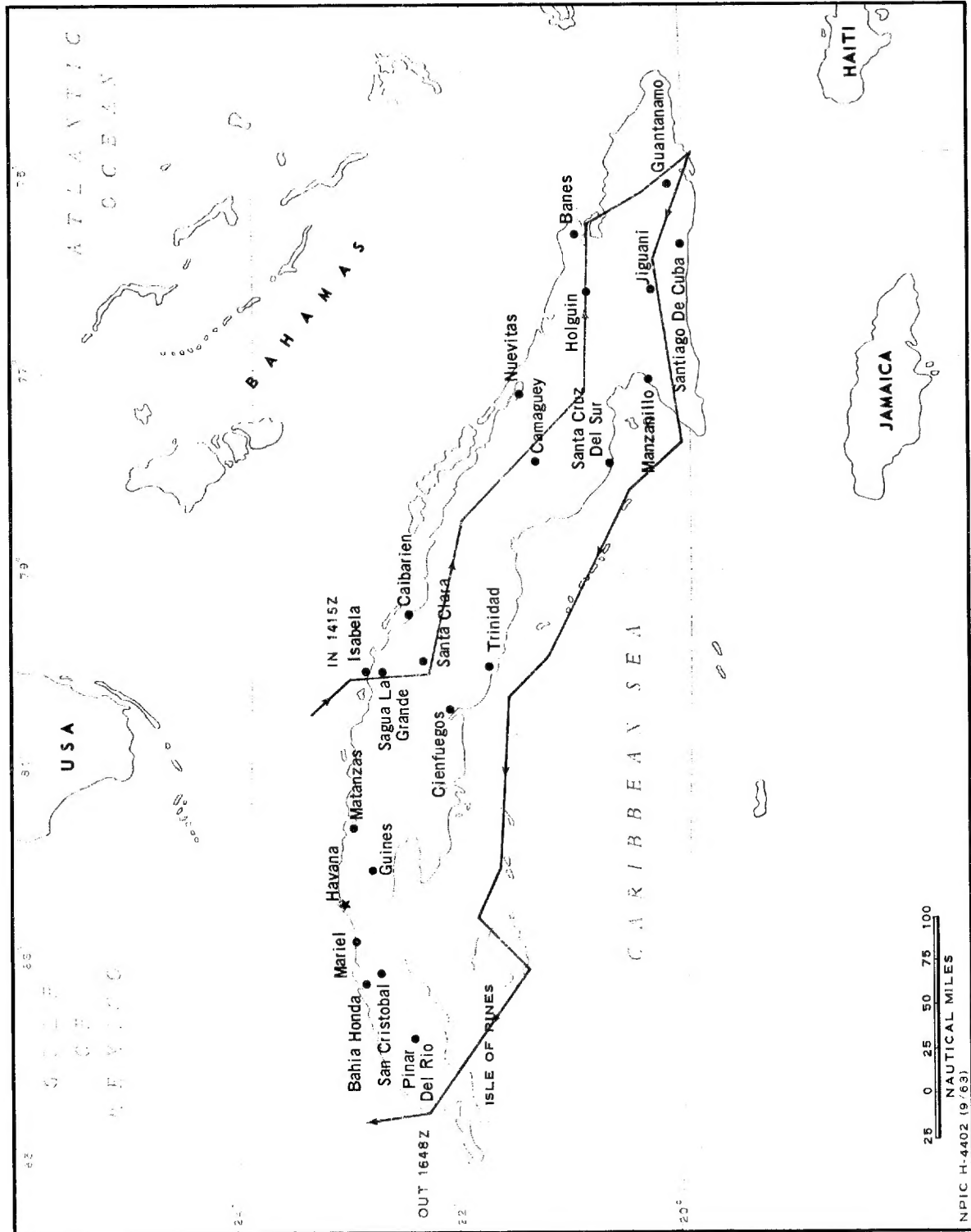
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REMEDIOS MILITARY CAMP	2227N 07934W
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CAYO LARGO	2138N 08129W
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